

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
MASSAGE BODYWORK AND SOMATIC
THERAPY EXAMINING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION OR : REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF :

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

LARRY MCGILL

Certificate No.: 26 BT00089000

FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

TO PRACTICE AS A MASSAGE BODYWORK : AND SOMATIC THERAPIST IN THE STATE :

OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee (the "Committee") upon receipt of information which the Committee has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Larry McGill ("Respondent") is a certified massage, body work, and somatic therapist in the State of New Jersey and has been a certificate holder at all times relevant hereto.
- 2. The Committee was advised that Respondent was arrested on April 7, 2009 by the Hamilton Township Police Department for contempt of a court order and harassment.
- 3. On or about April 20, 2009, the Committee sent a letter of inquiry to Respondent requesting, among other things, a copy of the municipal court complaint and disposition, the status of the case, a copy of the police report, information on Respondent's current employer and performance evaluation, and a narrative statement from

Respondent explaining the circumstances that led to his arrest. The letter was sent to Respondent at his address of record, P.O. Box 33, Absecon, New Jersey 08201 via regular and certified mail 7006 0810 0005 4521 5145; neither mailing was returned.

- 4. On or about June 9, 2009, Respondent sent the Committee a copy of a Notice of Pre-Trial Conference in Atlantic County and an Atlantic County Probation Department Payment Plan form.
- 5. On or about November 19, 2009, the Committee sent a letter to Respondent requesting an update on the status of his case. The letter was sent to Respondent at his address of record, P.O. Box 33, Absecon, New Jersey 08201 via regular mail which was not returned.
- 6. On or about December 10, 2009, Respondent sent the Committee a hand-written note advising that his fine was paid in full and the matter was concluded.
- 7. To date, there has been no further information provided by Respondent.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's failure to fully respond to the Committee's inquiry constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Committee investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3, subjecting Respondent to sanctions for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on March 31, 2010, provisionally suspending respondent's certificate to practice massage, bodywork

and somatic therapy until a complete response to the Committee's inquiry had been provided, and provisionally imposing a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00. A copy of the Order was forwarded to respondent by certified and regular mail at his address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Committee at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

In response to the Provisional Order, respondent furnished the Committee with the information requested. The Committee therefore determined that the penalty of suspension was no longer warranted. However, in light of respondent's initial failure to provide the requested information, so that issuance of an order was required to obtain it, the Committee determined that imposition of a civil penalty was warranted, although it determined to reduce the monetary penalty to \$250.00, in lieu of the originally imposed \$500.00.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010, ORDERED that:

1. Respondent shall remit payment of a fine and penalty

pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 in the amount of \$250.00 by certified check or money order payable to the State of New Jersey, delivered to George Hebert, Executive Director, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Payment shall be made no later than 15 days after the entry of any Final Order of Discipline in this matter. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A 45:1-24 and the Committee may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY EXAMINING COMMITTEE

By:

Déborah Overholt Vice-Chairperson